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METRO RAIL PROJECT CHENNAI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) Whether the Government proposes to start Chennai Metro Rail Project to meet the ever increasing growth of traffic ;

(b) If so, the details thereof ;

(c) Whether the Government proposes to give viability gap funding to Chennai Metro Rail Project; and

(d) If so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): Urban Transport is a State subject and proposals for setting up of Metro Rail Projects in specific cities are initiated by the States concerned. No proposal for setting up of such project in Chennai has been submitted by the Government of Tamil Nadu.

(c)&(d): The Viability Gap Funding scheme of Finance Ministry envisages Central financial assistance to projects on Public Private Partnership (PPP) route on request from implementing agency.

No such proposal has been received for Chennai Metro.